(b) if so, when and the salient features of the survey ; and

(c) if not, when the survey is likely to be conducted ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is no such proposal.

Catering in Railway

3185. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that out of 7083 stations in the country, catering facilities are available only at 3014 stations; and

(b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken provide catering facilities at all the remaining stations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Catering /vending facilities are provided at those stations where provision of such facilities is found justified. The factors taken into account for providing catering/ vending facilities at any station are volume of passenger traffic, number and timings of stopping trains, demand from the passengers, etc.

Pesticide Residue in Foods

3186. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether research studies have confirmed that traces of high pesticides remain in food stuffs;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the number of food items tested, analysed and the pesticide contamination level found therein with the acceptable limits thereof; and

(c) the corrective steps proposed to be taken to make the food items free from the pesticide residue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b). Under a pilot project on surveillance of pesticides, a total of 1132 samples of different articles of food were analysed for detecting the presence of pesticide residues. Out of these Samplese 1,093 samples showed the presence of pesticides. However, the residues of the pesticides were within the acceptable limits in most of the samples. Pesticide contamination level found in these samples along with acceptable limits are as follows:

Name of Pesticide	*Acceptable limits (mg./kg.)*	*Level of contimination (mg./kg.)*
DDT	0.1	0.000 to 1.1
BHC	0.25	0.00 to 1.47
Dieldrin	0.01	0.00 to 0.8
Endosulfan	0.1	0.00 to 0.24
Helptachlor	0.01	0.00 to 0.03

(c) The Prevention of Food Adulteration of Rules, 1955 lay down maximum tolerance limits of pesticides in different food aritcles. The State Govts. and U.Ts. have been asked to keep vigil or quality of food articles sold in the market so as to ensure that pesticide residues are well within the prescribed limits.

Monuments in Delhi

3187. SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether number of monuments in Delhi need attention for proper upkeep and maintenance ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the acion taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). Maintenance of the centrally protected monuments is a continuous process.

During the current financial year. 85 monuments have been included in the conservation programme.

Committee on Passenger Amenities in Railways

3188. SHRI TARA CHAND KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the passenger amenities in trains particularly in long distance trains are inadequate;

(b) whether a three member committee was set up to check passenger amenities provided at railway stations and on trains;

(c) if so, whether the committee has since submitted its report ; and

(d) if so, the details of the recommendations of the committee and by when these are to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Indian Railways take every possible care to provide as far as possible, the amenities as recommend by the Passenger Amenities Committee. Also, within the limited space available in the coach, every effort is made to optimise the utilisation to provide maximum possible facilities for the passengers' convenience.

(b) Originally a three member committee was constituted. Two members of the Committee have since been dropped and only Shri Raghubir Singh Panjhazari is heading the one man committee.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Development of Tourism in Karnataka

3190. SHRI G. MADEGOWDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka had sought loan from the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund, Japan for developing tourists infrastructure in the State; and

(b) if so, the details of the tourist schemes to be developed under the proposed loan?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The Government of Karnataka has sent a project proposal for Rs. 110.6 crores approximately for the de-